

REMARKS

This is in full and timely response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2009.

Claims 17-35 are currently pending in this application, with claim 17 being independent.

No new matter has been added.

Reexamination in light of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claim rejections

While not conceding the propriety of this amendment and in order to advance the prosecution of the present application, the rejected claims have been canceled.

Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Newly added claims

Claims 17-35 - Claims 18-35 are dependent upon claim 17. Claim 17 is drawn to an image processing apparatus comprising:

direct memory access devices connected to busses, said busses being connected to memories,

wherein a data bus width for one of the busses is less than a data bus width for another of the busses, a data bus width for said another of the busses being less than a data bus width for a different one of the busses.

U.S. Patent No. 7,170,553 (Matsuki) - Page 8 of the Office Action contends that Matsuki teaches an image processing apparatus wherein **different busses have different bit widths** (figure 3).

In response, Matsuki **fails** to disclose, teach or suggest that a data bus width for one of the busses is less than a data bus width for another of the busses, and a data bus width for another of the busses being less than a data bus width for a different one of the busses.

Japanese Application Publication No. 63-205773 (Takumi) - Takumi **fails** to disclose, teach or suggest that a data bus width for one of the busses is less than a data bus width for another of the busses, and a data bus width for another of the busses being less than a data bus width for a different one of the busses.

Allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

This response is believed to be a complete response to the Office Action.

Applicants reserve the right to set forth further arguments supporting the patentability of their claims, including the separate patentability of the dependent claims not explicitly addressed herein, in future papers.

For the foregoing reasons, all the claims now pending in the present application are allowable, and the present application is in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, favorable reexamination and reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks is courteously solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone Brian K. Dutton, Reg. No. 47,255, at 202-955-8753.

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